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SUBJECT: PERUVIAN PERCEPTION OF FONMIN'S CENTRAL AMERICAN VISIT

SUMMARY: FONMIN DE LA PUENTE RETURNED ON JULY 2 FROM HIS POST-OAS-GA TOUR OF CENTRAL AMERICA, AND IN AN EXTENSIVE AIRPORT ARRIVAL STATEMENT AND PRESS INTERVIEW, EXPRESSED HIS PERSONAL SATISFACTION WITH THE TRIP. THE GOP PLACES GREAT IMPORTANCE ON STRENGTHENING OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC TIES RESULTING FROM DE LA PUENTE'S VISIT. END SUMMARY.

1. IN HIS AIRPORT REMARKS, DE LA PUENTE REFERRED TO PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ'S POLICY OF CLOSER TIES WITH LATIN AMERICA AND ADMITTED THAT FOR SOME TIME PERU, AND ITS NEIGHBORS HAVE TURNED THEIR BACKS TO EACH OTHER JUST WHEN THEY
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NEED EACH OTHER MOST. HE CALLED ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT HE IS THE FIRST PERUVIAN MINISTER IN MORE THAN 20 YEARS TO VISIT CENTRAL AMERICA. HE ALSO REFERRED TO THE TECHNICAL AND CULTURAL COOPERATION AGREEMENTS SIGNED IN THE FIVE CAPITALS HE VISITED, CALLING THEM THE FIRST EXAMPLE OF PERU'S PROVIDING TO OTHER LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN AREAS IN WHICH IT HAS ACQUIRED EXPERTISE. HE CITED THE FISHING INDUSTRY, SHIP

CONSTRUCTION AND TECHNICAL SKILLS TRAINING AS THE AREAS IN WHICH FUTURE COOPERATION WOULD TAKE PLACE, AND REFERRED TO PERU'S OFFER OF SCHOLARSHIPS IN MILITARY TRAINING INSTITUTES AND THE DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY AS EXAMPLES OF THIS "HORIZONTAL COOPERATION". DE LA PUENTE ALSO MENTIONED THAT A MIXED PERUVIAN COMMERCIAL DELEGATION, FROM THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS, WOULD FOLLOW HIS CENTRAL AMERICAN TRIP, IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A GREATER "PERUVIAN PRESENCE" IN THIS IMPORTANT REGION OF THE CONTINENT.

2. THE FOREIGN MINISTER ALSO MENTIONED THE HUMAN RIGHTS RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED BY THE OAS MEETING IN GRENADA AND DISCUSSED WHILE HE WAS IN CENTRAL AMERICA. HE DESCRIBED PERU AS "AN ARDUOUS DEFENDER OF THE PRINCIPLE OF HUMAN RIGHTS", BUT QUALIFIED THE GOP'S STANCE BY SAYING THAT THESE PRINCIPLES MUST BE APPLIED IN AN ECONOMIC AS WELL AS POLITICAL FRAME OF REFERENCE, SINCE A FREE MAN SUBMERGED IN POVERTY CANNOT BE CONSIDERED TRULY FREE.

3. WITH REFERENCE TO BELIZE, DE LA PUENTE SAID THAT GUATEMALAN PRESIDENT LAUGERUD EXPRESSED TO HIM HIS PROFOUND PREOCCUPATION ABOUT GUATEMALA'S TERRITORIAL RIGHTS, AND ITS FREE ACCESS TO THE CARRIBBEAN. IN TURN, DE LA PUENTE ASSURED HIS HOST OF PERU'S FRIENDLY WISH THAT, THROUGH DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND GUATEMALA, A PEACEFUL SOLUTION MAY BE FOUND.

4. IN RESPONSE TO A REPORTER'S QUESTION ABOUT REMARKS ATTRIBUTED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO HIM IN SAN JOSE (SAN JOSE 3053), TO THE EFFECT THAT WITHIN TWO AND ONE-HALF YEARS PERU WOULD HOLD FREE AND POPULAR ELECTIONS, DE LA PUENTE SIDE-STEPPED THE ISSUE BY SAYING THAT THEY WERE INTERPRETATIONS MADE BY THE COSTA RACAN PRESS AND THAT UNTIL THE PRESIDENT MADE A SPECIFIC DECLARATION ON THE SUBJECT IT WOULD BE PREMATURE OF HIM TO TALK OF DATES AND TIMETABLES.

5. DE LA PUENTE'S REMARKS SUGGEST, AS SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION WITH SEVERAL FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS TEND TO CONFIRM, THAT THE GOP CONSIDERS THE CENTRAL AMERICAN TRIP TO BE AN IMPORTANT MANIFESTATION OF THE SHIFT IN PERU'S FOREIGN POLICY FROM GENERAL THIRD WORLD ISSUES TO GREATER ATTENTION TO LATIN AMERICA. GOP-OWNED LA CRONICA CALLS THE TRIP A "HAPPY AND FRUITFUL RE-ENCOUNTER BETWEEN PERU AND ITS SISTER COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL AMERICA", A RENOVATION OF OLD SOLID FRIENDSHIPS. SHLAUDEMAM

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